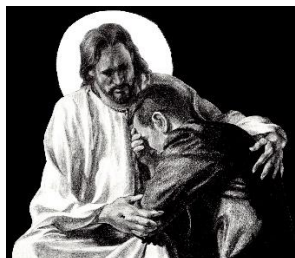


August 25 – Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

**“FOR BEHOLD, SOME ARE LAST
WHO WILL BE FIRST.”**



*If I have no bed,
and no home to call my own,
then, find me on corners, in shelters,
at anonymous meetings,
last in all the lines.*

*And yet if I know you,
and listen when you tell
my heart your secrets,
and trust you for my daily bread and life,
call you my essential and
first friend,
then ...
then, Lord,
last or first,
I won't mind where you put me
as long as I am still with you.*

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“Will there be a few saved?” This is a hard question with a hard answer. “Enter by the narrow door for many will try and will not succeed.” The Lord came to save the “nations of every language,” each and every one of us, but even the Lord relies on our free response to the offer. So “hold up your limp arms and steady your trembling knees and smooth out the path you will tread” when following the lead of our Savior. There is hope - “those now last will be first.” Can you step out onto the way of the Lord?

PRAYER SERVICES

Wed., Aug. 28 7:45 AM NO Morning Prayer
Fri., Aug. 30 7:45 AM Morning Prayer

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., Aug. 24 4 PM Pat Hermesch
Sun., Aug. 25 10 AM Ruth Gehl
Sat., Aug. 31 4 PM Anthony Hilbert
Sun., Sept. 1 10 AM Dale Tunny

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday – August 31 at 4:00 PM

Greeters: Steve and Katy Schmidt
Joe and Janet Wagner
Servers: Kayla Simon, Sam Simon
Cantor: Scott Simon
Lectors: Terry Harmeyer, Jack Ferkinhoff
Euch. Ministers: John Wagner, Gene Moorman
Judy Steuri, Roseann Wirth

Sunday – September 1 at 10:00 AM

Greeters: Mike and Katie Spreckelson
Matt and Leslie Hicks
Servers: Shaylee Volz, Machaela Cobler
Cantor: Rachel Toops
Lectors: Greg Wagner, Jane Pictor
Euch. Ministers: Paige Simon, Scott Simon
Amy Kinker, Patty Simon

PARISH SUPPORT

Adult Envelopes	\$2259.00
Children's Envelopes	\$ 10.85
Loose Collection	<u>\$ 424.25</u>
Total Regular Collection	\$2694.10

\$3,193.00 needed weekly to meet budget.

Special Collections	\$342.00
+ Capital Improvement - \$30.00	
+ Assumption - \$312.00	

God Bless Your Generosity!

MONTHLY REPORT - JULY	
Electronic Giving for July	\$2,165.00
Total Regular & Holy Day Collection	\$16,625.72
Amount Required to Meet Budget	\$15,965.00

STEWARDSHIP – Today’s reading from Isaiah describes the Israelites bringing their offering to the Lord “in clean vessels.” The gift of myself – my patient endurance and fidelity to the will of God – is as important as the monetary gift I offer.

SANCTUARY LIGHT – The sanctuary light will burn August 25 through September 1 for Norbert and Cherry Lamping.

BAPTIZED IN CHRIST – Congratulations to **Avyn Mae Horan**, the daughter of Kyle and Bridgette Horan, who was baptized last Sunday, August 18. May she come to know God's love for her!

LITURGY COMMITTEE – Members of the Liturgy Committee will meet TODAY, Sunday, at 8:30 AM.

FINANCE COMMITTEE – Members of the Finance Committee will meet this Thursday, August 29, 7:00 PM.

RAFFLE PRIZES – This is a reminder that if you would like to donate a prize for our Fall Raffle, you need to inform Sr. Shirley, Jack Ferkinhoff, or John Glick by August 31. We give thanks to all those parishioners who have already given a donation.

ST. MAURICE CELEBRATION – **Sunday, September 15, 5:00 – 8:00 PM. More details in next week's bulletin.**

RELIGIOUS ED – *Pre-School and New Student Registration* - If your child is 4 years old and will be in Kindergarten in the fall of 2020, they are invited to join our Pre-School group. Also, children in Kindergarten through Grade 5 who are new to the parish are encouraged to register as well. Please see or call Patty Simon, 812-689-4100. Our first class begins Wednesday, September 11, 6:45 to 8:00 PM.

The start of Religious Ed for Grades 6 through 12 will begin Sunday, September 8, 8:30 to 9:45 AM.

MARY & MARTHA CIRCLE – The Mary & Martha Circle will meet on Thursday, September 5, at 7:00 PM. All ladies of the parish are encouraged to attend.

RCIA – If you know of a relative or friend who may be interested in studying the Catholic faith, please encourage them to call the parish office during this month of August.

BAKE SALE – The Mary & Martha Circle will have a bake sale after our Masses on Saturday, September 7, and Sunday, September 8. Donations of baked items will be needed. All proceeds of the bake sale will go to our students who will be attending the NCYC trip in November.

THE LORD'S LAUGHTER – The top ten reasons why going to a live baseball game is good for a pastor's soul:

1. If it's too hot or too cold for anyone, they don't expect you to do anything about it.
2. Nobody complains about the same two songs you pick to sing every time.
3. No time limit. Sure don't expect the game to be done in an hour.
4. People think it's exciting and a bonus if it goes long into extra innings.
5. Nobody expects the pastor to replace the toilet paper in the restroom.
6. As a matter of fact, this IS my seat! I paid for it!!
7. Nobody is asleep, or if they are, it's not your fault.
8. Nobody gives anyone a dirty look for having food or beverage with them in their seats.
9. Nobody's upset if you didn't visit their mother when she was in the hospital and you didn't know about it.
10. If the stadium isn't completely full, nobody blames you. (Rev. Gary Nims, Urbandale, IA via Rev. Dale Schoening, Madrid, IA)

ST. IGNATIUS'S SUSCIPE PRAYER
*Take, O Lord, and receive my entire liberty,
my memory, my understanding,
and my whole will.
All that I am and all that I possess
You have given me:
I surrender it all to You
to be disposed of according to Your will.
Give me only Your love and Your grace;
with these I will be rich enough,
and will desire nothing more.*